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1902(a)(10)(A) (ii)(XVI) of the Act (cont.)	<p>_____ The agency does not disregard funds in retirement accounts.</p> <p>_____ The agency uses resource methodologies in addition to any indicated above that are more liberal than those used by the SSI program. More liberal resource methodologies are described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.</p> <p>_____ The agency uses the resource methodologies of the SSI program.</p> <p>_____ The agency uses methodologies for treatment of resources that are more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 5 to Attachment 2.6-A.</p>

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1902(a)(10)(A) (ii)(XVI) and 1905(v)(2) of the Act	<u>Definition of Employed – Employed Medically Improved Individuals - TWWIA</u> —— The agency uses the statutory definition of “employed”, i.e., earning at least the minimum wage, and working at least 40 hours per month. —— The agency uses an alternative definition of “employed” that provides for substantial and reasonable threshold criteria for hours of work, wages, or other measures. The agency’s threshold criteria are described below:

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1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XIII), (XV), (XVI),
and 1916(g) of the Act

Payment of Premiums or Other Cost Sharing Charges

For individuals eligible under the BBA eligibility group described in No. 26 on page 23g of Attachment 2.2-A.

_____ The agency requires payment of premiums or other cost-sharing charges on a sliding scale based on income. The premiums or other cost-sharing charges, and how they are applied, are described below:

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1902(a)(10)(A)
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and 1916(g) of the Act (cont.)

For individuals eligible under the Basic Coverage Group described in No. 27 on page 23g of Attachment 2.2-A, and the Medical Improvement Group described in No. 28 on page 23g of Attachment 2.2-A:

NOTE: Regardless of the option selected below, the agency MUST require that individuals whose annual adjusted gross income, as defined under IRS statute, exceeds \$75,000 pay 100 percent of premiums.

X The agency requires individuals to pay premiums or other cost-sharing charges on a sliding scale based on income. For individuals with net annual income below 450 percent of the Federal poverty level for a family of the size involved, the amount of premiums cannot exceed 7.5 percent of the individual's income.

The premiums or other cost-sharing charges, and how they are applied, are described on page 12n.

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and 1916(g) of the Act (cont.)

Payment of Premiums or Other Cost Sharing Charges

For the Basic Coverage Group and the Medical Improvement Group, the agency's premium or other cost-sharing charges, and how they are applied, are described below:

Premiums will be assessed monthly based on monthly countable income as follows:

Countable Income	Monthly Premium
Less than 150% of FPL	\$0
Equal to or greater than 150% but less than 200% of FPL	\$80
Equal to or greater than 200% but less than 250% of FPL	\$110

If an individual has access to any health insurance coverage at no cost to the individual, the individual is required to enroll in that insurance in order to participate in Louisiana's Medicaid Purchase Plan (TWWIA Basic Coverage Group). The calculation for determining countable income for the premium payment allows a deduction for any other health insurance premiums paid by the individual

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

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MORE LIBERAL METHODS OF TREATING INCOME
UNDER SECTION 1902 (r) (2) OF THE ACT*

☐ Section 1902 (f) State

☒ Non-Section 1902 (f) State

- 1) The Bureau of Health Services Financing disregards the first 15 percent of monthly gross income under the federal poverty level standards when determining Medicaid eligibility for low-income pregnant women.
- 2) For Working Individuals – TWWIIA Basic Coverage Group-
 - Only the income and needs of the individual with the disability who is applying for or receiving coverage will be considered in determining eligibility.
 - There will be no deeming of spousal income.

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*More liberal methods may not result in exceeding gross income limitations under section 1903 (f).

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State: LOUISIANA

MORE LIBERAL METHODS OF TREATING RESOURCES
UNDER SECTION 1902 (r) (2) OF THE ACT*

☐ Section 1902 (f) State

☒ Non-Section 1902 (f) State

- 1) The Bureau of Health Services Financing eliminates the consideration of resources in determining Medicaid eligibility for the Low Income Families with Children and child related Medically Needy Programs.
- 2) For annuities meeting the criteria contained in Supplement 9 to Attachment 2.6-A, Page 1d, Item D, the amount of funds in the annuity account are disregarded as countable resources in determining eligibility for individuals under 42 CFR 435.236.
- 3) The following will apply in the determination of Medicaid eligibility for the Medically Needy Program, Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries, Specified Low Income Beneficiaries, Qualified Individuals – I, TB infected individuals, and the special income level group (individuals in a medical institution for at least 30 consecutive days and individuals receiving home and community based waiver services for at least 30 consecutive days with gross income that does not exceed 300 percent of the SSI income standard):

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- a. The maximum burial fund exclusion will be increased to \$10,000.
- b. The cash surrender value of life insurance and burial policies with a combined face value up to \$10,000 will be disregarded.

For Working Individuals – TWWIIA Basic Coverage Group-

- Legal spouse's share of community property and spouse's separate assets will be disregarded.
- All life insurance policies will be disregarded.
- Medical Savings accounts will be disregarded.
- All retirement accounts will be disregarded, including private retirement accounts, such as IRA's and other individual accounts, and employer sponsored retirement accounts such as 401K plans, Keogh and employer pension plans.

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